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## IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

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## RESPONSE TO RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT UNDER \$1.121

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Dear Sir:

### INTRODUCTORY REMARKS

In response to the Office Action dated November 5, 2004, for the above-identified application, please consider the following Remarks.

Remarks begin on page 2 of this paper.

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#### **REMARKS**

### RESTRICTION REQUIREMENT

The Examiner has asserted a Restriction Requirement in the present application. The Examiner has asserted the following groups.

- Group I Claims 1-16, drawn to a polymer conjugate compound and composition comprising a polymer conjugate compound, classified in class 548, various subclasses.
- Group II Claims 17 and 18, drawn to a method for preventing human skin irritation with a composition comprising one or more polymer conjugates and carriers, classified in class 514, subclass 369.

Applicants' select Group I with traverse.

#### CONCLUSION

Applicants have made an earnest effort to place the present claims in condition for allowance. WHEREFORE, entry of the amendments provided herewith, reconsideration of the claims as amended in light of the Remarks provided, withdrawal of the claims rejections, and allowance of Claims 1-16, are respectfully requested. In the event that issues remain prior to allowance of the noted claims, then the Examiner is invited to call Applicants' undersigned agent to discuss any remaining issues.

Respectfully submitted,

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